

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of  
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For: **METHOD FOR SELECTIVE CARBOHYDRATE OXIDATION USING  
SUPPORTED GOLD CATALYSTS**

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VIA EFS-WEB  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In the Office Action mailed in this case on January 3, 2008, claims 1-46 and 73-79 are subject to both a restriction requirement and a requirement for election of species.

In particular, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.499, applicants are required to elect a single invention from among claim Groups I - III. In response, applicants elect with traverse claim Group I, which includes claims 1-44 and 73-79.

Further to the above, the Office Action additionally states that the application contains claims directed to more than one species of the generic invention and that applicants are required to elect a single disclosed species from the list provided. In response to the species election requirement, therefore, applicants elect maltose (claims 18, 38 and 75). The claims encompassing the elected species include nos. 1-12, 13, 16-18, 21, 22, 23-38, 43, 44, 45, 73-75 and 77-79.

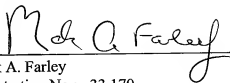
**CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by

the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

Respectfully submitted,

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